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Subject: (047211419) Enforcement Citizen Complaint

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comments:Complaint over mishandling of Soldier Field Demolition, Contractors failed to report Asbestos Release, Illegal backfilling of ACM and in areas where workers worked bulldozing ACM materials took place from demolition.

In addition, TBMK and Thatcher Engineering in particular placing workers in contaminated soil without warning them.

January 7th through January 23, 2002 TBMK released Silica Dust and Asbestos on the site exposing workers during the demolition of Soldier Field. The contaminated dust was blowing on the public and school children going into and out of the Field Museum. I called the National Response Center reported the incident.

I called OSHA also, OSHA refused to come out to the site. Then later on Thursday that week the job was shut down a day OSHA did an inspection. OSHA's IG refuses to investigate the matter, I advised Secretary of Labor John Henshaw in person last week February 11, 2002 he has not responded back.

The NRC notified local authorities based on my report.

Than I was laid off illegally for blowing the whistle, my complaint is that in itself and more so the fact the state IEPA investigated cited other areas and deliberately ignored my complaint then handed the affair over to the City of Chicago. The City of Chicago did not cite the contractors and there representative never contacted me back upon my complaint to them.

Now I have been forced to file a lawsuit because none of the agencies want to deal with a project that Chicago's Board of commissioner has certified for environmental compliance headed by Mayor Daily.

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Plaintiff,

Vs.

SOLDIER FEILD JOINT VENTURE, TURNER CONSTRUCTION, COMPANY, a corporation, KENNY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, a corporation, BARTON MA-LOW COMPANY, a corporation, BRANDENBURG INDUSTRIAL SERVICE, a corporation, ROY STROM EXCAVATING & GRADING COMPANY, a corporation, and THATCHER ENGINEERING CORPORATION, a corporation,

Defendants

Case No.: 03 L 009037

This is filed in the Law Division Chicago

I feel I should not have to bare all the burden financially of this issue. I cannot get any help from the Union (Carpenters Chicago Erie Street) they have shut down our Local 578 and we have had no meetings since the project, therefore we cannot protect ourselves. Then my lawyer drops the case from being threatened by his senior partners after their financial falling out.

Can I exercise my rights now that all other recourses are exhausted through OSHA and find protection under the EPA's Whistle Blowers Protection Laws and have someone take over my case?

Also if possible please accept a FOIA for the handling of the NRC report 01/14/2002, after it left the NRC, who investigated the incident and what was found, was there a relationship to the day the project was shut down around January 24, 2002 during the OSHA inspection.

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Environmental Safety and Health Specialist

Piledriver Local 578

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